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**Response to Office Action & Request for Continued Examination**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 26, 2007.

The Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal under 37 CFR 1.302 in this case on June 26, 2008.

This paper is therefore filed along with a petition for extension of time for five (5) months under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(5) and further under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(1), and authorization for the Office to deduct the requisite fees for this petition from the Applicants USPTO Deposit Account 13-4125 in the name of Monsanto Company.

This paper is also filed along with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and authorization for the Office to deduct the requisite fees for the RCE from the Applicants USPTO Deposit Account 13-4125 in the name of Monsanto Company.

With this submission, claims 11-20 and new claims 25-30 are pending in this application.